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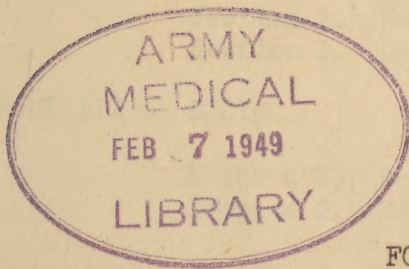
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SECTION 1

GOVERNMENT

Proclamation

1. Military Government Special Proclamation No. 33 was issued on 26 October 1948, and made effective on 1 November. This proclamation establishes free enterprise within the Ryukyus as well as the rules and regulations under which Ryukyuans may engage in trade among themselves and with members of the occupation forces. Penalties are provided for the following: entering into free trade without a license, exporting essential commodities, selling goods to non-Ryukyuans without a license, selling goods imported for exclusive use of Armed Forces, selling or producing goods which have been declared a government monopoly unless authorized to act as an agent by the Civilian Governments, and possessing Military Payment Certificates. This Proclamation rescinds MG Directive No. 10 dated 20 September 1946; MG Directive No. 14, dated 25 October 1946, paragraphs 8,9, and 10; MG Directive No. 26, dated 24 June 1947; MG Directive No. 34, dated 28 June 1947; and General Administrative Order No. 2, dated 17 June 1946.

Directives

2. Military Government Directive No. 37, "Declaration of Essential Commodities", was issued and made effective on 26 October. This directive requires that a declaration of essential commodities be made by the individual governments every six months. The declaration and approval of the essentiality of a commodity automatically prohibits the use of such an item of trade with non-Ryukyuans or as an item of inter-island trade until it is removed from the list of essentials.

Military Government Directive No. 38, "Establishment of Special Areas for Purpose of Commercial Transactions on Okinawa between Ryukyuans and Occupation Personnel", was issued and made effective on 26 October. This directive establishes areas located along six main highways where occupation personnel may purchase services from Ryukyuans and items not declared essential commodities.

Military Government Directive No. 39, "Licensing of Business Enterprise", was issued and made effective on 26 October. Military Government Directive No. 10, dated 10 September 1946, was hereby rescinded. This directive states that each Civil Government will establish a Central Licensing Office for issuance of licenses to persons engaging in business transactions in the Ryukyus. A charge not to exceed one-half of one percent of the capital to be invested in the proposed business will be paid at the time the license is issued and a renewal of license will be made annually thereafter at a charge not to exceed one-half of one percent of the working capital at time of license renewal.

Military Government Directive No. 40, "Establishment of Committees on Ryukyuan Economy", was issued and made effective on 26 October. This directive specifies regulations by which a permanent committee on Ryukyuan Economy composed of not less than three and not more than five members, be established. Representatives of each of the four regional governments will be appointed by the respective Chijis.

Northern Ryukyus Directives

3. Military Government Directive No. 1948-10, "Maximum Price List No. 7", issued and made effective on 22 October, establishes new maximum prices on rice, wheat, sweet potatoes, and black sugar.

Military Government Directive No. 1948-11, "Rescission of Military Government Directives", issued and made effective on 17 November, rescinds the following Northern Ryukyus Military Government Directives which are in conflict with Special Proclamation No. 33: MG directive No. 1948-10, MG Directive No. 1947-47, MG Directive No. 1947-35, MG Directive No. 1947-18 (except sections pertaining to house rent, land rent, freight rates, and lighterage fees).

Southern Ryukyus Directives

4. Military Government Directive No. 4, "Election Law for Assemblymen and Mayors of Cities, Towns and Villages", issued and made effective on 14 September, establishes 15 October 1947 as the final date in compiling voters' list for elections held on Tarama Jima in March 1948.

Operational Directive No. 37, "Medical Procedure", issued and made effective on 24 October, establishes procedure for setting prices on medical supplies furnished to the Provisional Governments by Military Government.

Assembly Meetings

5. A meeting of the Miyako Assembly was held on 1 October to hear a report on the result of an audit of Miyako Provisional Government funds made by the Miyako Provisional Government Council, and to discuss the progress of the Ryukyuan Economic Conference held on Okinawa. The Governor addressed the assembly outlining future forestry policy for Miyako.

A meeting of the Yaeyama Assembly was held on 25 September with 14 members of the assembly and 36 members of the Council present. They discussed the revised budget for revenues and expenditures, regulations for death benefits to dependents of government employees and settlement of remaining accounts of fiscal year 1947.

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LEGAL

Civilian Courts

1. Civilian Courts on Okinawa tried 585 criminal cases in November. No civil cases were tried during November. A total of 453 cases were tried by the Magistrate Courts and fines collected amounted to ¥ 42,881. A total of 18 persons were placed on probation and 41 were acquitted.

MAGISTRATE COURTS

Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Curfew violation	58
Larceny	35
Traffic violation	204
Trespassing	26
Unlawful possession	31
Prostitution	19
Fraud	1
Larceny of munitions	55
Pandering	9
Smuggling	2
Illegal purchase	7
Threat	1
Injury	4
Fishery violation	1

A total of 132 criminal cases were tried by Circuit Courts, ¥ 9,100 in fines were collected, one person was placed on probation and all persons were found guilty.

CIRCUIT COURTS

Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Traffic violation	26

Unlawful possession	31
Larceny	11
Fraud	2
Perjury	6
Escape	8
Blackmarketing	48

There were no cases tried in the Superior Court or in the Court of Appeals.

2. In the Northern Ryukyus Circuit Court a total of 17 criminal cases were tried, ¥ 5,800 in fines collected, 7 persons were placed on probation and all persons were found guilty.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Injury	1
Fraud	1
Theft	9
Usurpation on business	4
Violation of USMG Directive No. 46	2

No cases were tried in the Magistrate, Superior or Court of Appeals in the Northern Ryukyus in November.

Circuit Courts tried 151 civil cases in the Northern Ryukyus in November.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Civil Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Tort	6
Real estate	21
Loan	23
Compromise	5
Domestic relation	1
Arbitration	5
Contract	1
Auction	1
Petition	88

3. In the Southern Ryukyus Magistrate Court a total of 36 criminal cases were tried in October, ¥ 4,780 in fines collected, one person was placed on probation and one person was acquitted. There were 7 civil cases tried, no fines were collected and all persons were found guilty.

MAGISTRATE COURT
Southern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Larceny	2
Assault	5
Fraud	1
Theft	1
Illegal travel	10
Involuntary manslaughter	1
Explosive violation	8
Restaurant control violation	6
Traffic violation	1
Shipping violation	1

No cases were tried in the Superior Court, Circuit Court or Court of Appeals in October in the Southern Ryukyus.

Military Courts

4. Military Government Courts on Okinawa tried 465 cases. A total of 118 were tried in Superior Provost Court with ¥ 134,994 confiscated, ¥ 31,310 in fines collected, 30 persons placed on probation and 13 persons acquitted.

SUPERIOR PROVOST COURT
Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Prostitution	1
Unlawful possession	41
Larceny	40
Unauthorized use of vehicle	6
Unauthorized inter-island travel & trading	25
Theft	5

A total of 347 cases were tried in Summary Provost Court, 46 persons were placed on probation, 101 persons were acquitted, and ¥ 10,860 in fines were collected.

SUMMARY PROVOST COURT
Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Traffic violation	120
Trespassing	32
Prostitution	11
Curfew violation	10
Unlawful possession	102
Fraud	1

Unauthorized use of vehicle	13
Illegal barter	31
Illegal use of labor card	5
Off limits violations	11
Cargo violation	1
Illegal possession of Military Payment Certificates	10

5. In the Northern Ryukyus in the Superior Provost Court 26 cases were tried with 24 persons placed on probation, ¥ 11,500 in fines were collected and all persons were found guilty. No cases were tried in the Summary Provost Court.

6. In the Southern Ryukyus in October in the Superior Provost Court 8 cases were tried with no persons placed on probation or acquitted and no fines collected.

The Summary Provost Court of Southern Ryukyus tried 28 cases in October with ¥ 50,000 in fines collected and no one placed on probation or acquitted.

Citizenship Claims

7. Three new claims to American citizenship were filed.

Workmen's Compensation

8. The Workmen's Compensation Commission heard and approved 11 claims and awarded a total of ¥ 23,913 to claimants.

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LAW AND ORDER

9. A total of 872 arrests, including 64 juveniles, were made in Okinawa Gunto during October. There were 174 arrests in the Northern Ryukyus and 42 in the Southern Ryukyus.

ARRESTS

October

Adults

Okinawa Northern Southern
Gunto Ryukyus Ryukyus

Murder	0	0	1
Assault and battery	4	3	4
Accidental homicide	2	2	0
Accidental injury	1	0	0
Larceny and embezzlement	187	98	17
Fraud	3	0	2
Forgery	1	0	0
Illegal possession of U.S. Govt property	34	0	1
Illegal possession of U.S. currency	2	0	0
Illegal possession of explosives and firearms	1	1	9
Violation of ceiling prices	77	13	0
Bartering	4	0	2
Smuggling	3	0	0
Violation of travel regulations	16	0	0
Violation of forestry regulations	0	1	0
Violation of fishing regulations	6	1	0
Violation of traffic regulations	339	0	4
Violation of fire regulations	0	0	2
Violation of curfew regulations	71	0	0
Prostitution, etc	48	0	0
Trespassing	7	5	0
False accusation	1	0	0
Illegal possession of dangerous items	1	0	0
Interference with official on public duty	0	2	0
Usurpation	0	7	0
Others	0	41	0

Juveniles

Okinawa Gunto

Larceny	57
Illegal possession of U.S. property	5
Bartering	1
Carrying of stolen goods	1

POLICE

10. On 15 November graduation exercises were held at the Okinawa Police Academy for 52 police recruits who successfully completed the three months' training course.

11. There were 21 persons investigated in the Northern Ryukyus for price and wage violations. Two were further investigated and 19 were dismissed with an admonition.

PRISONS

12. Prison population in the Ryukyus in November is shown in the table below:

PRISON POPULATION November

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Total</u>
Okinawa Central Prison	314	42	34	390
Okinawa Branch Prisons	39	0	0	39
O'Shima Prison, N. Ryukyus	132	5	1	138
Miyako Prison, S. Ryukyus	37	4	1	42
Yaeyama Prison, S. Ryukyus	<u>23</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>27</u>
Total	545	52	39	636

In Okinawa prisons 100 males and 28 females are serving sentences under six months, 85 males and 9 females are serving sentences from 6 months to one year and 202 males and five females are serving sentences over one year.

Activities of Okinawan Prisoners

13. During November the Okinawa Central and Branch Prisons produced 10,410 pounds of food, which is 46 percent of the total food consumed by them during the month. Farm production for November showed an increase of 2,298 pounds over October.

14. Manufacture of industrial products by the prisoners brought a sale value of ¥ 19,580. Prisoner laborers employed by Military Government and Bucknerville Dependent Housing Area earned ¥ 11,835.75 in November. The fish catch and shoe repairs netted ¥ 1,801.93. Total revenue was ¥ 33,217.68. The prison deficit for November was ¥ 8,217.32.

ACCIDENTS

15. The 58 accidents reported in Okinawa Gunto in October resulted in 28 deaths. The three accidents in the Northern Ryukyus resulted in three deaths. In the Southern Ryukyus two people were killed in two accidents.

<u>Cause of Casualties</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Explosives			
Killed	5	0	0
Injured	8	0	0
Traffic			
Killed	3	0	0
Injured	20	0	0
Poisonous Alcohol			
Killed	13	0	0
Injured	2	0	0

Miscellaneous

Killed	7	3	2
Injured	0	0	0

FIRE AND DISASTER

Fires

16. Ten fires in Okinawa Gunto resulted in ¥ 211,130 in damage. No casualties occurred. Three fires in the Northern Ryukyus caused a damage of ¥ 31,000 and no injuries. Two fires were reported in the Southern Ryukyus with a total damage of ¥ 5,000. No injuries resulted.

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NATURAL RESOURCES

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AGRICULTURE

Food Production

1. Crops harvested in the Ryukyus are shown below in metric tons.

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Okinawa</u> November	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> October	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> October
Rice	258	0	0
Cereals	0	78	0
Soy beans	0	206	0
Vegetables	292	0	282
Sugar cane	0	0	0
Peanuts	0	0	0
Sweet potatoes	5,669	5,821	1,823 a/

a/ Corrected figure since the October Summation.

Livestock and Poultry

2. Livestock and poultry populations in the Ryukyus in November are shown in the table below. No imports or exports were made.

Okinawa Guroto

	<u>Births</u>	<u>Deaths a/</u>	<u>Present Population</u>
Cattle	115	3	3,651
Horses	0	5	2,733
Swine	1,272	71	29,994
Goats	1,052	43	16,292
Rabbits	4,971	250	21,724
Poultry	996	110	91,337

a/ No breakdown is available between deaths and animals slaughtered.

Northern Ryukyus

	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered a/</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Present Population</u>
Cattle	418	129	19	14,176
Horses	77	3	18	3,036
Swine	2,587	734	62	31,325
Goats	975	461	51	25,369
Rabbits	2,852	1,655	0	6,104
Poultry	6,046	3,583	0	107,498

a/ Meat produced from slaughtered animals in the Northern Ryukyus totaled 23.4 metric tons in November.

Southern Ryukyus

Cattle	4	0	1	2,054
Horses	7	0	2	8,759
Swine	528	178	191	15,818
Goats	182	128	26	13,148
Rabbits	43	7	13	855
Poultry	120	252	6	34,414

FISHERIES

Fish Landings

3. Favorable fishing days for Okinawa Gunto were 7 in November. In the Northern Ryukyus favorable fishing days numbered 12 in October. The poor weather, combined with the normal seasonal decrease, resulted in a low fish catch.

FISH CATCH -- RYUKYUS (metric tons)

<u>Type</u>	<u>Okinawa G. November</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus October</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus October</u>
Tuna	3	2	5
Swordfish	8	2	4
Benito	38	62	50
Shark	24	5	5
Flying fish	2	2	-
Mackerel	1	7	9
Sardine	-	-	4
Red snapper	-	8	5
Squid & cuttlefish	32	2	9
Gurukun	17	3	-
Octopus	2	-	-
Other species	80	75	29
Sea bream	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>
Totals	210	178	125

Five metric tons of dried bonito were produced during November on Okinawa and 1.4 metric tons were produced in the Northern Ryukyus during October. The Southern Ryukyus produced 18.5 metric tons of dried bonito during October.

Fishing Fleet

4. A total of 91 powered and 1,753 non-powered boats were in operation in Okinawa during November. Fewer boats went out because of the seasonal scarcity of fish in Okinawan waters. In the Northern Ryukyus in October there were 69 powered and 1,154 non-powered boats in operation, while in the Southern Ryukyus there were 96 powered and 263 non-powered boats reported in operation.

A total of 25 of the 35 powered fishing craft damaged by the typhoon returned to operation in Okinawa.

Fishing Boat Construction

5. One 12-ton sampan and one 15-ton sampan were constructed in Okinawa during November. The Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard made the following repairs in November:

Hull repairs	8
Engine repairs	8
Engine overhaul	5
Machine shop repair	24
Electric shop repair	26
Batteries recharged	150

6. The blacksmith shop at the Boatbuilding and Repair Yard produced 271 tack nails, 1,500 flat nails, 103 one-half inch bolts, 16 five-eighths inch bolts and 31 three-fourths inch bolts.

7. The Okinawa Fisheries Association produced the following items in its industrial shop:

Fish head cutting knives	120 each
Bone cutting knives	8 each
Fishing hooks	10 each
Fishing line	181 sets

Ice Plants

8. The 15-ton ice plant at Toguchi, Okinawa, produced 123 short tons of block ice in November for distribution to the various fishing associations in Okinawa Gunto. The Koniya Ice Plant in the Northern Ryukyus produced 32 short tons of ice during October. The 101 short tons reported in October summation as produced by the Northern Ryukyus for October was for the month of September instead of October.

Petroleum Products for Okinawa Gunto Fishing

9. POL allotment and consumption for November for the Okinawan and Northern Ryukyus fishing industries is given below. The Northern Ryukyus allotment decreased greatly because no POL was received there in October.

POL ALLOTMENT AND CONSUMPTION Okinawa Gunto

	<u>November</u> <u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>
Gasoline	2,900 gal	2,900 gal
Diesel	91,000 gal	91,000 gal
SAE # 30	4,240 gal	4,240 gal
SAE # 90	0	0
Kerosene	2,226 gal	2,226 gal
G.P. #1	30 lb	30 lb

Northern Ryukyus

	<u>November</u> <u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>
Diesel	0	0
Gasoline	264 gal	154 gal
Kerosene	0	0
SAE # 30	64 gal	0
G.P. #1	0	0

10. Five cylinders of freon gas were received in November for use by the Ryukyus fishing industry.

FORESTRY

11. The amount of lumber and lumber products produced in the Ryukyus is shown below:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> <u>November</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> b/ <u>October</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> <u>October</u>
Lumber	bd ft	2,201,120 a/	338,280	103,515
Firewood	cu ft	-	2,651	129,345
Charcoal	pound	-	55,000	760

a/ 1,345,200 board feet were furnished the Agricultural section and 855,920 board feet furnished the Industries section.

b/ Northern Ryukyus forestry production figures appearing in the September and October summations were for August and September respectively.

Iriomote Timber and Logging Project

12. Logging operations in the Upper Macara River area continued in November. Okinawa received 5,841 roofing poles and 2,443 board feet of tabu logs. The tabu logs are being used in the construction of hand carts and horse drawn carts.

The Iriomote sawmill cut a total of 17,500 board feet of lumber in November.

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INDUSTRY

Food Processing

1. A general decrease in production in Okinawa Gunto is attributed to damage suffered by factories during the typhoon. Repair of industrial housing is hampered because of lack of building material.

2. Salt produced in Okinawa Gunto in November totaled 82,700 pounds. There were 39,000 pounds of salt produced in the Southern Ryukyus in October and 5,467 gallons of sake were distilled. The Northern Ryukyus distilled 952 gallons of sake during November. Starch made from sweet potatoes in Okinawa increased to 20,050 pounds in November because of the sweet potato harvest in October and November.

3. Food processing in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Okinawa Gunto</u> November	<u>Northern Ryukyus</u> November	<u>Southern Ryukyus</u> October
Miso	pound	16,000	0	139
Shoyu	gallon	0	0	500
Vermicelli	pound	11,743	0	-
Flour	pound	42,581	13,000 ^{a/}	-
Bread	pound	3,420	0	-
Rice cleaning	pound	269,052	1,100,000	-
Tea	pound	530	0	-
Fish paste	pound	2,100	0	-

^{a/} Produced from wheat harvested in May, which has been drying since that time in preparation for milling.

Metalworking

4. Nineteen ironworks employing 226 persons reported production in Okinawa Gunto in November. Farm tools manufactured totaled 1,973 and 487 farm tools were repaired. Household utensils manufactured totaled 178 and 211 household utensils were repaired. Utensil manufacture decreased because no rat traps were made. Industrial tools manufactured totaled 3,279 and 623 industrial tools were repaired. Thirteen casting factories employing 110 persons reported production of 2,594 items. Ironworks in Okinawa reported no production due to the lack of solder.

5. In the Northern Ryukyus seven casting factories employing 33 persons manufactured 200 items. Seven ironworks employing 65 persons manufactured 765 items. One hundred twenty blacksmith shops employing 236 persons manufactured a total of 2,000 agricultural hoes and 1,300 cutlery implements. In the Southern Ryukyus in October 212 farm tools, 2,627 hardware items and 479 household items were manufactured. Casting factories reported 30 items produced.

Ceramics

6. Pottery production during November in Okinawa Gunto is shown in the table below:

CERAMICS PRODUCTION - OKINAWA GUNTO November

For sale to Okinawans	
Rice bowl	4,200
Tea bowl	1,130
Tea cup	1,080
Tea pot	316
Grinding mortar	0
Jar	580
Funeral urn	30
For sale through Gift Shops	
Flower vase	6
Ash tray	58
Ornamental lion	13
Sake set	66
Tea pot	32
Tea bowl	0
Tea cup	58
Sake cup	748
Flower pot	0

Woodworking

7. Thirty-eight woodworks employing 367 persons reported production in Okinawa Gunto in November.

WOODWORKING PRODUCTION - OKINAWA GUNTO
November

School desks	463
School chairs	336
Office desks	51
Office chairs	61
Mat weaving machines	6
Horse drawn carts	29
Parts for carts	7
Furniture	305
Wash tube	172
Getas	2,063
Tableware	145
Rat trap boards	0
Doors	180
Toys	3
Agriculture tools	40

Shoemaking and Repair

8. In Okinawa Gunto during November three shoemaking and repair shops employing 11 persons remade (changed large into small) 67 pairs of shoes and made 198 repairs.

9. Miscellaneous industries in Okinawa Gunto produced 150 lacquered items and reclaimed 3,472 pounds of cotton from old garments.

10. In the Northern Ryukyus one chemical factory employing 8 persons reported production of 350 pieces of soap and 300 packages of tooth powder.

Woven Products

11. The production of woven articles in Okinawa Gunto is shown in the table below.

WOVEN PRODUCTS - OKINAWA GUNTO
November

Panama hat	30
Work hat	302
Cigarette case	18
Handbag	0
Paper holder	0
Table mat	0
Floor mat	17

In the Southern Ryukyus 625 woven articles were produced.

12. In the Northern Ryukyus during November two factories employing 12 persons manufactured 2,430 large sliding paper screens and 420 small screens. Five printing and bookbinding factories employing 105 persons printed 45,200 sheets of newspapers and 1,800 copies of periodicals. Forty-five Japanese umbrellas were manufactured by one factory employing three persons.

13. The following bamboo products were manufactured in the Northern Ryukyus during November.

Dining table	10
Bookshelf	20
Chair	10

Okinawan Gift Shop Sales

14. Gross sales of the Okinawan Gift Shops for the period of 28 October to 27 November amounted to ¥ 220,441.

Building Materials

15. Tile factories in the Northern Ryukyus employing 67 persons produced 17,500 tiles in November. During October building material produced in the Southern Ryukyus totaled 132,234 pieces of tile, 50,190 pounds of lime ash and 25 cubic feet of sandstone.

BUILDING MATERIALS - OKINAWA GUNTO November

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Okinawan tile	each	59,800
New type tile	each	1,000
Brick	each	28,000
Lime	pound	14,152
Lime mortar	pound	0
Sandstone	cu ft	5,400

Construction and Repair

16. Standard prefabricated houses constructed on Okinawa during November totaled 997.

In Okinawa Gunto one bridge located in Kechinda mura on Route 9 was completed. One retaining wall was repaired in Shuri. Three road washouts on Route 64 and one on Route 48 in Tanagusuku mura were repaired.

Renovation of the Naha Telephone Exchange building is 55 percent complete. Plastering of outside walls was finished.

Electric Power

17. Electric power consumption on Okinawa during November totaled 154,173 kilowatt hours.

ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION - OKINAWA GUNTO (kilowatt hours)

Police stations	5,225
Schools	2,884
Motor pools	2,046
Hospital and dispensaries	21,336
Ration dumps	6,219
Industrial and manufacturing plants	66,624
Government offices	49,839

Electric power generated on Iriomote Island, Northern Ryukyus, totaled 151,784 kilowatt hours in November. Electric light charges totaled ¥ 29,917.10 and power charges totaled ¥ 6,319. Electric lights in use on that island numbered 14,935.

TRANSPORTATION

Water Transportation

18. Fourteen Military Government vessels were employed in the Ryukyuan inter-island distribution of civilian food, heavy equipment, medical supplies, clothing and petroleum products.

INTERISLAND CARGO DISTRIBUTION (measurement tons) November

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Cargo</u>	<u>Passengers</u>
N. Ryukyus	1,272.95	101
S. Ryukyus	1,290.44	221
Iriomote	0	0
Daitos	85.00	44
Totals	2,648.39	366

The LST 610 offloaded 62,100 gallons of bulk diesel oil in the Southern Ryukyus and 6,930 in Iriomote. LST 34 offloaded 62,000 gallons of bulk diesel oil in the Northern Ryukyus.

19. TP 104 departed Okinawa for Kobe, Japan, for drydocking and repairs on 22 November. There were 8 vessels inoperative during November.

LST 610 returned to Okinawa on 10 November after drydocking and repairs in Kobe, Japan. LST 34 also returned on 12 November with 557.9 tons of cargo. It was placed on operational runs on 23 November.

20. The Daini-Ampuku Maru, a Yaeyama fishing craft, arrived at Okinawa on 13 October without sailing orders. It was impounded until 13 November, when it was released and returned to Yaeyama.

21. There were four Provisional Government vessels in operation in the Northern Ryukyus, making 18 trips carrying 3,030 metric tons of cargo and 1,420 passengers. They made a net income of ¥ 38,760.20. One confiscated vessel operated with a revenue of ¥ 15,126. The two other confiscated vessels were undergoing repair.

22. In the Southern Ryukyus there were 58 vessels making 57 inter-island trips, carrying cargo of 23.99 metric tons and 3,447 passengers with a revenue of ¥ 74,665. Three confiscated vessels operated with a revenue of ¥ 3,500. One confiscated vessel was not in operation.

Land Transportation

23. The Okinawa Bus Company carried 57,260 passengers during November and collected ¥ 310,162.80 in fares. A total of 25 vehicles were repaired in the Okinawa higher echelon maintenance shop at Machinato in November.

24. A total of 401 vehicles were in operation in Okinawa Gunto, and in the Northern Ryukyus 15 vehicles were in operation.

VEHICLES IN USE November

Type	Okinawa G.	N. Ryukyus	S. Ryukyus
2½ T trucks	232	10	107
¾ T trucks	54	2	2
¼ T trucks	100	1	3
Miscellaneous	15	2	13

25. A total of ^{40,928}~~40,634~~ short tons of cargo was hauled by truck in Okinawa Gunto and ⁶³⁵~~665~~ tons were hauled in the Northern Ryukyus.

CARGO HAULED BY TRUCK (short tons) November

	Okinawa G.	N. Ryukyus	S. Ryukyus
Water transportation	2,883	-	-
Agriculture	1,205	-	-
Commerce	420	-	1
Fisheries	921	-	-
Industry	331	2	239
Rations, Clothing, POL	28,453	262	160
Medical supplies	503	-	4

Public Works			
Construction material	3,150	112	232
Road maintenance	1,875	12	150
Import and Export	100	-	-
Education supplies	350	-	-
Baggage for repatriation	107	231	1
Miscellaneous	630	16	227

In Okinawa 90 passengers were carried by truck. In the Northern Ryukyus, 7,419 passengers were carried by truck, bringing in revenue of ¥ 16,253. In the Southern Ryukyus 14,046 passengers were carried by truck.

COMMUNICATIONS

Postal Communications

26. Postal deliveries in the Ryukyus are shown in the table below.

MAIL DELIVERIES-RYUKYUS November

Domestic

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Ordinary Mail</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa	Northern Ryukyus	159	0
Okinawa	Miyako	218	0
Okinawa	Yaeyama	210	2
Okinawa	Okinawa	17,029	81
Northern Ryukyus	Okinawa	117	5
Northern Ryukyus	Miyako	110	0
Northern Ryukyus	Yaeyama	30	0
Northern Ryukyus	Northern Ryukyus	120,018 <u>a/</u>	790 <u>a/</u>
Miyako	Okinawa	111	5
Miyako	Northern Ryukyus	119	0
Yaeyama	Okinawa	71	0
Yaeyama	Northern Ryukyus	60	0

a/ October mail deliveries

International

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Airmail</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa	Foreign countries	1,365	5,905	0
Miyako	Foreign countries	84	21	0
Yaeyama	Foreign countries	54	16	0
Northern Ryukyus	Foreign countries	1,021	219	0

Foreign countries	Okinawa	3,444	5,701	1,701
Foreign countries	Miyako	160	8	0
Foreign countries	Yaeyama	211	11	1
Foreign countries	N. Ryukyus	2,040	624	17

27. Postal revenue in Okinawa Gunto totaled ¥ 97,377.30 in November. Postal revenue in the Northern Ryukyus totaled ¥ 121,515.30 in October.

Telephone and Telegraph

28. An average of 402 local telephone calls were completed daily by exchanges in Okinawa Gunto in November. A total of 1,337 long distance calls were made in the Gunto. In the Northern Ryukyus 223,350 local calls and 40,229 long distance calls were made in October.

29. Telephone revenue in Okinawa Gunto totaled ¥ 4,452.50 in November. Of this amount telephone rent totaled ¥ 2,543.30, toll charges were ¥ 1,685.40, local calls brought in ¥ 73.80 and subscriptions fees totaled ¥ 150.

30. In the Northern Ryukyus 10,287 telegrams were dispatched locally in October. The Northern Ryukyus dispatched 1,817 telegrams to Japan and received 1,474 telegrams from Japan in October.

LABOR

31. A total of 41,048 Okinawans were employed by agencies of the United States Government during November. The total number of Okinawans gainfully employed numbered 213,235. In the Northern Ryukyus 99 were employed by agencies of the United States Government during November. The total number of persons gainfully employed there was 131,637. In Miyako, Southern Ryukyus, 59 persons were employed by agencies of the United States Government and employed persons totaled 43,317.

32. Unemployed persons in Okinawa Gunto totaled 1,268. Unemployed persons in the Northern Ryukyus totaled 4,924 and in Miyako, Southern Ryukyus 1,456 persons were unemployed.

33. On 22 November the Director and Labor Agent of the Labor Department of Military Government and the member of the Labor Section of Okinawan Civilian Administration met for the first weekly conference on labor affairs.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

34. Interisland trade during November consisted of shipments of one commodity to Okinawa from the other island groups; 1.6 metric tons of adanba leaves from the Northern Ryukyus and 4.8 metric tons of adanba leaves from Miyako. Cotton fish nets were shipped from Okinawa in the following quantities; 3 metric tons to Northern Ryukyus, 1.2 metric tons to Miyako and 2.6 metric tons to Yaeyama. There were no imports from or exports to Japan during November.

RATIONING AND DISTRIBUTION

Subsistence

35. Of the subsistence consumed in the Ryukyus in November, 31 percent was imported and 69 percent was locally produced by the Ryukyuans.

36. The following locally produced food was released for distribution in the Ryukyus during October.

INDIGENOUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION (metric tons)

Sweet potatoes	13,779
Cereals	78
Rice	900
Fish	543
Vegetables	736

37. Imported foods consisting of 1,771 metric tons flour, 3,182 metric tons of rice and 3,435 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Ryukyus in November. Of this amount 1,288 metric tons of rice and 280 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Northern Ryukyus, and 415 metric tons of rice and 180 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Southern Ryukyus.

38. Indigenous foods totaling 642,842 pounds were delivered for incentive cigarettes during October in Okinawa Gunto.

FOOD DELIVERED IN INCENTIVE GOODS PROGRAM

Okinawa Gunto
(pounds)
October

<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cigarettes Delivered(pkg)</u>
Sweet potatoes	121,900	12,190
Rice	7,886	15,772
Soybeans	400	800
Vegetables	302	30
Wheat	10,054	10,054
Miso	27,300	13,650
Salt	70,000	17,500
Fresh fish	400,000	133,333
Dry fish	5,000	10,000

39. A total of 15,987 metric tons of foodstuffs consisting of 53,992,705,229 calories were on hand at Central Subsistence Warehouse, Tengan on 30 November. The foodstuffs are broken down as follows:

<u>Foodstuff</u>	<u>Calories</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>	<u>Days on Hand</u>
Starch	37,571,036,058	11,127	76
Proteins	5,056,302,881	1,433	50
Sugar	9,952,984,673	2,719	953
Fats & Oils	1,049,477,832	122	37
Milk	362,903,785	75	32
Salt	-	159	13
Item with no caloric value	-	352	-

40. There is an average of 83 days on hand in all types of foodstuffs. This is based on a 50 percent issue of requirements to Okinawa, 25 percent to the Northern Ryukyus and 15 percent to the Southern Ryukyus.

Fuel

41. Totals of 744,096 gallons of POL and 4,378 pounds of grease were distributed in the Ryukyus in November.

POL ISSUES November

<u>Receiver</u>	<u>Mogas(gal)</u>	<u>Diesel(gal)</u>	<u>Kerosene(gal)</u>	<u>Lub Oil(gal)</u>	<u>Grease(lb)</u>
Mil Supply	37,183	59,730	2,133	4,998	1,050
Okinawa G.	45,374	140,155	2,667	9,536	668
Motor Trans.	110,000	880	689	6,519	2,400
Water Trans.	3,300	186,000	848	8,056	150
N. Ryukyus	13,200	40,000	3,922	954	50
S. Ryukyus	7,361	42,000	0	1,484	35
Iriomote	<u>2,365</u>	<u>3,630</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>106</u>	<u>25</u>
Totals	218,683	472,395	21,365	31,653	4,378

Trade Goods

42. Trade goods amounting to 161 metric tons were distributed throughout the Ryukyus in November.

Finance

43. Due to the fact that new methods of reporting native financial activities are in the process of being established by the Finance Department of Military Government, no financial report is available.

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SECTION 1

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Medical Care

1. Medical care in the Ryukyus during October is shown in the table below.

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>G. N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
In patients	1,305	24	85
Out patients	33,426	49,506	4,349
Hospital capacity	1,532 <u>a/</u>	60	85

a/ excluding the 461 dispensary beds.

2. The Airaku-En Leper Colony on Okinawa has a capacity for 900 patients. At present there are 717 patients. Four lepers were admitted in the Wakoen Leper Colony in the Northern Ryukyus and 7 admitted in the Nanseien Leper Colony on Miyako.

Disease Incidence

3. Disease incidence was reported for the Ryukyus in October.

DISEASE INCIDENCE

October

(1) Respiratory Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Scarlet Fever	0	0	0

Small pox	0	0	0
Chicken pox	87	120	36
Measles	1	8	0
German measles	188	0	0
Mumps	134	56	60
Influenza	560	218	182
Pneumonia, Lobar	47	131)	13
Pneumonia, broncho	312		281
Diphtheria	13	9	1
Whooping cough	66	55	8
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	120	141	26
Tuberculosis, other	46	-	25
Epidemic meningitis	2	16	19

- (2) Insect Borne Diseases reported in Okinawa by districts are shown below. No cases of typhus occurred.

<u>Districts</u>	<u>Japanese "B"</u>		<u>Malaria</u>	<u>Filariasis</u>
	<u>Encephalitis</u>		<u>Oct</u>	<u>Oct</u>
	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>		
Hentona	0	0	178	8
Taira	0	0	301	6
Jinuza	0	0	80	2
Ishikawa	0	0	303	1
Maebaru	0	1	259	0
Koza	2	1	300	4
Naha	0	1	91	5
Chinen	0	0	411	0
Itoman	0	0	44	6
Total	2	3	1,967	32

In the Northern Ryukyus there were 30 cases of malaria and 65 cases of filariasis reported while the Southern Ryukyus had 89 cases of malaria and 50 cases of filariasis.

(3) Intestinal Diseases

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S.Ryukyus</u>
Pará typhoid	0	0	0
Typhoid fever	1	0	0
Amoebic dysentery	45	240	42
Cholera	0	0	0

(4) Venercal Diseases

Syphilis	15	95	27
Gonorrhea	54	200	57
Chancroid	0	15	22
Lymphogranuloma, venereal	0	0	0

(5) Miscellaneous

Yaws	0	0	0
Leprosy	0	4	7
Tetanus	9	0	8
Trachoma	1,345	250	255

Sanitation

4. The Military Government rodent control team consisting of four technicians working with native patrolmen continued the drive on rats around Military installations, finishing the work around the RYCOM, Kadena and Naha areas. Other sanitation activities during October are shown below:

	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S.Ryukyus</u>
Drainage ditches constructed	122,398 ft	-	-
Drainage ditches serviced	1,993,950 ft	-	-
Penite expended	175 gal	-	-
DDT in oil expended	14,388 gal	-	-
Houses sprayed	32,311	-	1,404 a/

a/ Miyako only

5. An assistant entomologist and a technician, both from Military Government, were placed on TDY with Military Government, Southern Ryukyus on 20 November for a period of 10 days to assist in locating land for resettlement on the island of Ishigaki.

6. An epidemic of dysentery was reported in the village of Yakana, Okinawa. Halazone tablets were distributed to each house, and a Military Government team of 6 technicians worked with native sanitation men in respraying all houses, opening up ditches and covering or dusting fly-breeding areas. These precautions ended the epidemic.

Nursing Affairs

7. A classroom and a recreation room for nurses are under construction at Koza Hospital, Okinawa. The use of two sewing machines, material for dresses and irons for student nurses were donated and distributed by the American Women's Clubs and LARA.

Medical Supply

8. No issue of inventoried medical supply stocks was made in the Ryukyus in November.

Veterinary Activities

9. No epidemic diseases in cattle, swine or horses appeared in Okinawa in October and no deaths occurred. Okinawa reported six cases of lumbar paralysis in goats with one death.

No diseases or deaths of cattle, horses or swine were reported in the Southern Ryukyus. In the Northern Ryukyus there were 15 cases of erysipelas among the swine, resulting in 3 deaths. There were 4 cases of lumbar paralysis among goats with 3 deaths.

10. In Okinawa 55 hogs were slaughtered with no condemnation; 355 in Northern Ryukyus with no condemnation; 290 in the Southern Ryukyus with no condemnation.

No cattle were slaughtered in Okinawa Gunto; 38 cattle were slaughtered in the Northern Ryukyus; 3 slaughtered in the Southern Ryukyus, all with no condemnations.

In the Northern Ryukyus 8 horses and 172 goats were slaughtered.

WELFARE

11. In November a total of 11,441 persons received non-institutional relief aid.

RELIEF ROLL - OKINAWA GUNTO

(non-institutional)

November

Persons under 16 years of age	7,212
Persons over 61 years of age	2,773
Pregnant Women	9
Physically handicapped and invalids	1,132
Women with children	315

12. During November 11,208 pounds of LARA goods were distributed to orphanages, hospitals and the Lepet colony on Okinawa. These supplies included bicycles, sewing machines, egg incubators, clothing, food supplies, educational supplies and stationery. A shipment of 4,123 pounds of LARA educational supplies was received and distributed.

13. A committee was organized to plan ways and means of most effectively handling and distributing LARA supplies and to more effectively meet the relief needs of the Ryukyus. This committee is composed of representatives of various interested departments of Military Government and Okinawan Civilian Administration, and members at large. The committee is scheduled to meet monthly.

14. Approximately 500 family packages were made up to be used for emergency or general relief in the months. These packages contain blankets, clothing, yard goods and packaged foods.

Social and Child Welfare

15. A total of 321 persons received relief in Okinawa in November in the following institutions.

Orphanages

Koza	98
Hyakuna	81
Taira	24
Shuri	<u>15</u>
Total	218

Old People's Homes

Koza	27
Ishikawa	45
Shuri	<u>31</u>
Total	103

Eight dozen suits, pants and shirts, made of material donated by the American Women's Clubs on Okinawa, were made by seamstresses employed by Military Government for the boys of all the orphanages on Okinawa.

RESETTLEMENT

16. No areas were released by military installations for use by the Okinawans during November. An area consisting of approximately 300 acres previously released to Okinawans for resettlement was cancelled from all resettlement, causing the movement of approximately 2,600 persons, 400 houses and three schools.

REPATRIATION

17. There were 195 repatriates received from Japan in the Northern Ryukyus, 243 in Okinawa and 57 in the Southern Ryukyus. Eight repatriates were sent to Japan from the Northern Ryukyus and eight from Okinawa Gunto.

VITAL STATISTICS

18. Population of the Ryukyus on 30 September is given below. Okinawa Gunto reported 6 stillbirths and the Northern Ryukyus 5 stillbirths.

	<u>Population as of 31 August</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Gains a/</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Losses a/</u>	<u>Population as of 30 Sept</u>
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Okinawa Gunto	549,630	1,672	319	469	98	551,054
Northern Ryukyus	221,628	588	196	262	22	222,128
Southern Ryukyus	117,893	399	248	102	244	118,184

a/ Gains and losses by repatriation and resettlement.

19. Marriages and divorces in September were as follows:

	<u>Marriages</u>	<u>Divorces</u>
Okinawa Gunto	396	106
Northern Ryukyus	216	27
Southern Ryukyus	104	12

RYUKYUAN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN

20. The following property was taken into custody during November. No personal property was taken into custody during the month.

<u>Land</u>	<u>No. of Parcels</u>	<u>Appraised Values</u>	<u>Area (Tsubo)</u> ^{a/}	<u>Improve ments</u>	<u>Value of Improvements</u>
Used by Military	1	¥ 9,485.00	271	0	0
Used by OCA	1	1,320.00	132	0	0
Available for lease	76	287,714.00	25,459	4	¥ 18,450.00
Leased	<u>1</u>	<u>309,320.00</u>	<u>964</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	79	¥ 607,839.00	26,826	4	¥ 18,450.00

^{a/} One tsubo is approximately 36 square feet.

SECTION 2

EDUCATION AND RELIGION

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EDUCATION

Schools

1. School attendance in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below.

<u>Type of School</u>	<u>Number of Schools</u>	<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Pupils</u>
Okinawa Gunto (November)			
Kindergarten	134	465	22,175
Elementary	145	2,199	90,932
Junior High	47	985	36,145
Senior High	15	320	6,889
Technical High	5	64	600
Higher Schools	<u>2</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>277</u>
Totals	348	4,051	157,018

Northern Ryukyus (October)

Kindergarten	5	22	722
Elementary	103	854	32,002
Junior High	40	428	12,516
Technical High	14	73	2,070
Boys' High	<u>2</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>1,756</u>
Totals	164	1,436	49,066

2. The Naha Technical High School opened on 3 October. The typhoon on that same day destroyed the native dormitory for 80 students, the mess hall and kitchen and the 7 native houses used by the faculty. The school resumed operation in December in the four quonsets which withstood the typhoon. Until the other buildings are rebuilt the quonsets are being used as dormitories and classrooms. In November there were 105 students and 12 teachers. Wood-working, auto mechanics and theory of electricity are being taught at present.

3. The South Agricultural High School was opened in Tomigusuku, Okinawa, in September with 64 pupils and 10 teachers. Two of the three quonset huts used by the school were destroyed during the typhoon, suspending operation temporarily. In November the school started functioning again, using the one remaining quonset and one frame native building.

4. Sewing clubs were opened in Shuri and Chinen High Schools during November. The clubs have about 12 members, all senior girls chosen for their ability in advanced sewing work. The main purpose of the clubs is to teach the use of American patterns to select groups, who in turn, will be expected to teach other school girls and interested women. It is hoped these classes, conducted by a member of the I & E Department of Military Government, will create more interest in sewing and save material and experimental work. The patterns used were copied from American patterns suitable and practical for Ryukyuan use.

5. Classes in conversational English for employees of Military Government reopened in November in the I & E Department at Military Government. Taught by a member of the staff the classes are held one hour daily. Average attendance is 40.

6. Eight students from the Northern Ryukyus were sent to Okinawa - four to attend the Foreign Language School and four to enroll in the Teachers' Training School.

7. American - Ryukyuan Education Week was held during the first week in November. Purpose of the week was to indicate to the Ryukyuan the interest which the U. S. Government has in rehabilitation of the islands. Three ceremonies were held in which American School children represented the American people in presenting textbooks and athletic equipment to the students of the Ryukyus. The ceremonies were held on Okinawa at Naha, Ishikawa and Nago. Officials of Military Government and Okinawa Civilian Administration gave short addresses and at each ceremony one American and one Okinawan boy and girl spoke briefly. After presentation of the materials music programs were given by Okinawan school children. Approximately 27,000 softballs, 3,500 ball bats and 275,000 textbooks were presented. Similar ceremonies will soon be held in the Northern and Southern Ryukyus.

8. Sixteen American Education films were seen by approximately 130,000 persons in 22 schools in Okinawa. There are 4 mobile movie units in operation in community centers and schools.

9. About 1,500 textbooks and manuals, damaged slightly during the typhoon, were collected from RYCOM I & E Depot and distributed to the schools in November.

RELIGION

10. Approximately 3,500 persons attend Okinawan Christian Church Services. Of this number 2,359 are members of Christian Churches. There are 28 ministers and 41 churches.

11. There are 10 Buddhist temples and 10 priests in Okinawa Gunto. Number of Buddhist followers is unknown.

12. A survey in the Northern Ryukyus revealed that there are 38,730 Buddhists, of whom 10,000 are active. There are 2,100 Protestant Christians of whom 1,500 are active, 2,000 Catholics of whom 1,790 are active, and 5,500 Shintoists, all of whom are active in their religion. There are 8 Buddhist priests, 2 Protestant pastors, 27 Shinto priests and 2 Catholic priests.

13. In addition to his work as a lecturer in Naze, one Buddhist priest does relief work for ex-convicts and preaches to inmates at the O'Shima Prison on Sundays and fete days.

14. Members of the Catholic Young Women's and Women's Associations are making clothing for persons on relief. One of the Catholic priests gives lessons in English conversation at the Naze High School.

